

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE
(Case No. 99-499)

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In the Application of:

Chou et al.

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For: Production of Transgenic Poinsettia

Examiner: D. Fox

Group Art Unit: 1638

Confirmation No.: 3007

RESPONSE TO THE OFFICE ACTION MAILED SEPTEMBER 23, 2005

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Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
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Dear Sir:

Please consider the following amendments and remarks made in response to the Office Action mailed September 23, 2005.

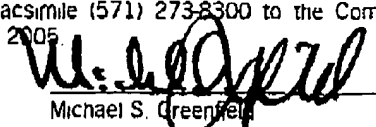
Amendments to the Claims begin on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 5 of this paper.

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